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Ms. Kathleen Dutt, Esq.
Office of the General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20463

RE: MUR 5398

Dear Ms. Dutt:

On behalf of LifeCare Management Services, LLC ("LifeCare") and Leroy Thompson, respondents in the above-captioned MUR, we are writing to seek a 20-day extension of time to file a response to the Commission's letter of January 12th (received January 14th) informing respondents of the Commission's finding of reason to believe they had violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) and 441f of the Federal Election Campaign Act.

An extension of time is required to enable respondents to complete their review and production of documents for inclusion in their response and, in the case of LifeCare, to supplement its September 11, 2003 *sua sponte* submission to the Commission concerning this matter.

Also, per our conversation earlier today, Mr. Thompson has been out of the office this week. When he returns early next week, we will forward to you his executed Designation of Counsel naming us as his counsel in this matter.

Should you have any questions or require additional information regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,


N. Bradley Litchfield
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